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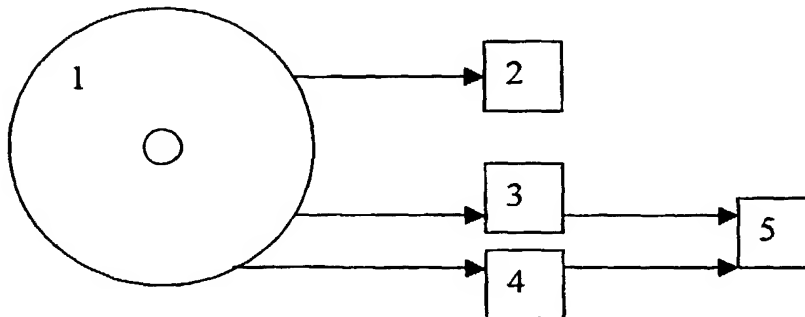
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(57) Abstract: One embodiment of the invention relates to a digital data signal comprising: a first data set of source data (1) and control data (2), said source data being modified in accordance with said control data to generate an intermediate set (3) of modified data when said data signal is copied by equipment adapted to read data on a block by block basis; and a second data set (4) associated with said first data set, said second data set being provided to enable modifications made, or modifications that otherwise would be made to said first data set to generate said intermediate data set upon copying of said signal by said equipment, to be at least substantially negated. Other embodiments of the invention relate to a carrier having a data signal recorded thereon, to a method of generating such a data signal, to a method of copying such a signal, to a computer program, to data copying apparatus and to a data transfer system.

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